

REMARKS

Applicant thanks the Examiner for allowing claims 1-9, 11-13, and 31-34. The Office has rejected claims 35-37 at paragraph 7 of the Office Action, under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a), as being unpatentable over U.S. Application No. 2004/0141596 ("*Crockett*"), and further in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,587,822 ("*Brown*"). Claims 35-37 have been canceled without prejudice or disclaimer, rendering the rejections of claims 35-37 moot.

CONCLUSION

The Examiner has allowed claims 1-9, 11-13, and 31-34. There are no further outstanding rejections or objections. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner to issue a notice of allowance.

Any changes to the claims in this amendment, which have not been specifically noted to overcome a rejection based upon the prior art, should be considered to have been made for a purpose unrelated to patentability, and no estoppel should be deemed to attach thereto.

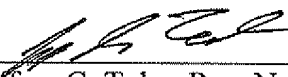
The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned attorney at the telephone number listed below if such a call would in any way facilitate allowance of this application.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees, which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account Number 50-2469.

Respectfully submitted,

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